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**Subject:** Extension of Letter of Approval Airplane Pilots and Aircraft - State of Montana  
DNRC

**To:** Forest and Grasslands Supervisors

This letter serves as an Official Extension for the Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (MT DNRC) Pilots and Aircraft letter of authorization expiring on June 30, 2011.

This extension will be effective as of July 1, 2011, and be good through July 30, 2011. This extension will allow our regional inspectors time to schedule and inspect all aircraft MT DNRC would like to offer for federal use. These pilots and aircraft will be approved for the next year upon completion of pilot currency and aircraft inspection at the request of DNRC. A letter of approval will be re-issued at that time.

U.S. Forest Service limitations on these aircraft do not extend to the jurisdiction for which the State has authority. Cooperators may use these aircraft according to existing direction in State Cooperative Fire Agreements, Operating Plans, including Federal lands if the State has protection responsibility or under mutual aid agreements as long as the State maintains operational control of the aircraft.

If you have any questions, please give me a call 406-370-3340.

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